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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6681

INFO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

AMEMBASSY MANILA

C O N F I D E N T I A L GENEVA 8398

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: GATT, ETRD

SUBJECT: AUSTRALIA - PHILIPPINES TEXTILE DISPUTE

REF: GENEVA 8312

1. US REP HAD LENGTHY DISCUSSION WITH AUSTRALIAN MINISTER TEESE HERE AFTERNOON NOV 6. IN COURSE TALK, US REP INFORMED TEESE OF POINTS CARAG WAS MAKING TO TSB MEMBERS (PARA 3, REFTEL) AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT HE WOULD BE IN POSITION RESPOND TO TSB CHAIRMAN'S INVITATION BE PRESENT AT CARAG'S HEARING NOV 10. TEESE SAID HE AWAITING INSSEULIONS, BUT DIDN'T THINK HE WOULD BE THERE AS GOA "HAD LOST CONFIDENCE IN TSB."

2. TEESE ASKED US REP WHAT TSB REACTION WOULD BE TO NON-APPEARANCE GOA REP AT HEARING. US REP SAID IT HIS PERSONAL OPINION THAT NON-APPEARANCE WOULD LEAVE STAGE ENTIRELY TO
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PHILIPPINES AND VIRTUALLY INSURE TSB FINDING THAT GOA'S

ART 3 ACTION INCONSISTENT WITH MFA. TEESE SAID HE
WOULD BE ON PHONE TO CANBERRA AND WOULD MAKE THIS POINT.

3. TEESE JUST CALLED TO SAY THAT HE HAD NOW RECEIVED IN-
STRUCTIONS TO APPEAR NOV 10 BEFORE TSB AND HAS BEEN GIVEN
BRIEF (REFUTING POINT BY POINT CARAG'S
ASSERTAIONS) WHICH HE READ TO US REP. THIS INFORMA-
TION WHEN PRESENTED BEFORE TSB IS CERTAIN TO CHANGE
WHAT APPEARED BE A LYNCHING INTO A FAIR FIGHT. WILL
ALSO PROVIDE TSB MEMBERS WITH SOME ROOM TO MANEUVER
AROUND THE EXPLOSIVE ISSUES INVOLVED (ART 3 - ART 6 AND
ANNEX A INTERPRETATIONS). TEESE SAID BRIEF HAD ALSO
BEEN SENT WASHINGTON FOR CONVEYANCE TO SMITH. US REP
WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIPT TEXT BEFORE NOV 10 SESSION.DALE

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